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Mr. CHAFEE (for himself, Mr. KEMPTHORNE, Mr. LOTT, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. WARNER, Mr. STEVENS, Ms. SNOWE, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BOND, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. GREGG, and Mr. LIEBERMAN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works

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To reauthorize and amend the National Fish and Wildlife
Foundation Establishment Act.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “National Fish and
3 Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act Amendments of
4 1998”.

5 **SEC. 2. PURPOSES.**

6 Section 2(b) of the National Fish and Wildlife Foun-
7 dation Establishment Act (16 U.S.C. 3701(b)) is amended
8 by striking paragraph (1) and inserting the following:

9 “(1) to encourage, accept, and administer pri-
10 vate gifts of property for the benefit of, or in con-
11 nection with, the activities and services of the De-
12 partment of the Interior or the Department of Com-
13 merce, particularly the United States Fish and Wild-
14 life Service and the National Oceanic and Atmos-
15 pheric Administration, to further the conservation
16 and management of fish, wildlife, and plant re-
17 sources;”.

18 **SEC. 3. BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FOUNDATION.**

19 (a) ESTABLISHMENT AND MEMBERSHIP.—Section 3
20 of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establish-
21 ment Act (16 U.S.C. 3702) is amended by striking sub-
22 section (a) and inserting the following:

23 “(a) ESTABLISHMENT AND MEMBERSHIP.—

24 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Foundation shall have
25 a governing Board of Directors (referred to in this
26 Act as the ‘Board’), which shall consist of 25 Direc-

1 tors appointed in accordance with subsection (b),
 2 each of whom shall be a United States citizen.

3 “(2) REPRESENTATION OF DIVERSE POINTS OF
 4 VIEW.—To the maximum extent practicable, the
 5 membership of the Board shall represent diverse
 6 points of view relating to conservation and manage-
 7 ment of fish, wildlife, and plants.

8 “(3) NOT FEDERAL EMPLOYEES.—Appointment
 9 as a Director of the Foundation shall not constitute
 10 employment by, or the holding of an office of, the
 11 United States for the purpose of any Federal law.”.

12 (b) APPOINTMENT AND TERMS.—Section 3 of the
 13 National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act
 14 (16 U.S.C. 3702) is amended by striking subsection (b)
 15 and inserting the following:

16 “(b) APPOINTMENT AND TERMS.—

17 “(1) AGENCY HEADS.—The Director of the
 18 United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the
 19 Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and At-
 20 mosphere shall be Directors of the Foundation.

21 “(2) APPOINTMENTS BY THE SECRETARY OF
 22 THE INTERIOR.—

23 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subpara-
 24 graph (B), after consulting with the Secretary
 25 of Commerce and considering the recommenda-

tions submitted by the Board, the Secretary of the Interior shall appoint 23 Directors who meet the criteria established by subsection (a), of whom—

“(i) at least 6 shall be knowledgeable or experienced in fish and wildlife conservation;

“(ii) at least 4 shall be educated or experienced in the principles of fish and wildlife management; and

“(iii) at least 4 shall be knowledgeable or experienced in ocean and coastal resource conservation.

“(B) TRANSITION PROVISION.—

“(i) CONTINUATION OF TERMS.—The 15 Directors serving on the Board as of the date of enactment of this paragraph shall continue to serve until the expiration of their terms.

“(ii) NEW DIRECTORS.—The Secretary of the Interior shall appoint 8 new Directors; to the maximum extent practicable those appointments shall be made not later than 45 calendar days after the date of enactment of this paragraph.

1 “(3) TERMS.—

2 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subpara-
3 graph (B), each Director (other than a Director
4 described in paragraph (1)) shall be appointed
5 for a term of 6 years.

6 “(B) INITIAL APPOINTMENTS TO NEW
7 MEMBER POSITIONS.—Of the Directors ap-
8 pointed by the Secretary of the Interior under
9 paragraph (2)(B)(ii), the Secretary shall ap-
10 point—

11 “(i) 2 Directors for a term of 2 years;

12 “(ii) 3 Directors for a term of 4
13 years; and

14 “(iii) 3 Directors for a term of 6
15 years.

16 “(4) VACANCIES.—

17 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of the
18 Interior shall fill a vacancy on the Board; to the
19 maximum extent practicable the vacancy shall
20 be filled not later than 45 calendar days after
21 the occurrence of the vacancy.

22 “(B) TERM OF APPOINTMENTS TO FILL
23 UNEXPIRED TERMS.—An individual appointed
24 to fill a vacancy that occurs before the expira-

1 tion of the term of a Director shall be ap-
 2 pointed for the remainder of the term.

3 “(5) REAPPOINTMENT.—An individual (other
 4 than an individual described in paragraph (1)) shall
 5 not serve more than 2 consecutive terms as a Direc-
 6 tor, excluding any term of less than 6 years.”.

7 (c) PROCEDURAL MATTERS.—Section 3 of the Na-
 8 tional Fish and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act
 9 (16 U.S.C. 3702) is amended by adding at the end the
 10 following:

11 “(h) PROCEDURAL MATTERS.—The Federal Advi-
 12 sory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.) shall not apply to
 13 the Foundation.”.

14 (d) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—

15 (1) Section 4(c)(5) of the National Fish and
 16 Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act (16 U.S.C.
 17 3703(c)(5)) is amended by striking “Directors of the
 18 Board” and inserting “Directors of the Founda-
 19 tion”.

20 (2) Section 6 of the National Fish and Wildlife
 21 Foundation Establishment Act (16 U.S.C. 3705) is
 22 amended by striking “Secretary” and inserting
 23 “Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Com-
 24 merce”.

1 (3) Section 6 of the National Fish and Wildlife
 2 Foundation Establishment Act (16 U.S.C. 3705) is
 3 amended by inserting “or the Department of Com-
 4 merce” after “Department of the Interior”.

5 **SEC. 4. RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE FOUNDATION.**

6 (a) PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE FOUNDATION.—Sec-
 7 tion 4(a)(3) of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
 8 Establishment Act (16 U.S.C. 3703(a)(3)) is amended by
 9 inserting after “the District of Columbia” the following:
 10 “or in a county in the State of Maryland or Virginia that
 11 borders on the District of Columbia”.

12 (b) INVESTMENT AND DEPOSIT OF FEDERAL
 13 FUNDS.—Section 4(c) of the National Fish and Wildlife
 14 Foundation Establishment Act (16 U.S.C. 3703(c)) is
 15 amended—

16 (1) by redesignating paragraphs (3) through
 17 (7) as paragraphs ~~(8)~~ (7) through ~~(12)~~ (11), respec-
 18 tively; and

19 (2) by inserting after paragraph (2) the follow-
 20 ing:

21 “(3) to invest any funds provided to the Foun-
 22 dation by the Federal Government in obligations of
 23 the United States or in obligations or securities that
 24 are guaranteed or insured by the United States;

1 “(4) to deposit any funds provided to the Foun-
2 dation by the Federal Government into accounts
3 that are insured by an agency or instrumentality of
4 the United States;

5 “(5) to make use of any interest or investment
6 income that accrues as a consequence of actions
7 taken under paragraph (3) or (4) to carry out the
8 purposes of the Foundation;

9 “(6) to use Federal funds to make payments
10 under cooperative agreements entered into with will-
11 ing private landowners to provide substantial long-
12 term benefits for the restoration or enhancement of
13 fish, wildlife, and plant resources on private land;”.

14 (c) AGENCY APPROVAL OF ACQUISITIONS OF PROP-
15 ERTY.—Section 4(e)(1) of the National Fish and Wildlife
16 Foundation Establishment Act (16 U.S.C. 3703(e)(1)) is
17 amended by striking subparagraph (B) and inserting the
18 following:

19 “(B) the Foundation notifies the Federal agen-
20 cy that administers the program under which the
21 funds were provided of the proposed acquisition, and
22 the agency does not object in writing to the proposed
23 acquisition within 45 calendar days after the date of
24 the notification.”.

1 (d) REPEAL.—Section 304 of Public Law 102–440
2 (16 U.S.C. 3703 note) is repealed.

3 (e) AGENCY APPROVAL OF CONVEYANCES AND
4 GRANTS.—Section 4(e)(3)(B) of the National Fish and
5 Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act (16 U.S.C.
6 3703(e)(3)(B)) is amended by striking clause (ii) and in-
7 serting the following:

8 “(ii) the Foundation notifies the Federal agency
9 that administers the Federal program under which
10 the funds were provided of the proposed conveyance
11 or provision of Federal funds, and the agency does
12 not object in writing to the proposed conveyance or
13 provision of Federal funds within 45 calendar days
14 after the date of the notification.”.

15 (f) RECONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY.—Section
16 4(e) of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Estab-
17 lishment Act (16 U.S.C. 3703(e)) is amended by striking
18 paragraph (5) and inserting the following:

19 “(5) RECONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY.—
20 The Foundation shall convey at not less than fair
21 market value any real property acquired by the
22 Foundation in whole or in part with Federal funds
23 if the Foundation notifies the Federal agency that
24 administers the Federal program under which the
25 funds were provided, and the agency does not dis-

1 agree within 45 calendar days after the date of the
2 notification, that—

3 “(A) the property is no longer valuable for
4 the purpose of conservation or management of
5 fish, wildlife, and plants; and

6 “(B) the purposes of the Foundation would
7 be better served by use of the proceeds of the
8 conveyance for other authorized activities of the
9 Foundation.”.

10 (g) EXPENDITURES FOR PRINTING SERVICES OR
11 CAPITAL EQUIPMENT.—Section 4 of the National Fish
12 and Wildlife Foundation Establishment Act (16 U.S.C.
13 3703) is amended by adding at the end the following:

14 “(f) EXPENDITURES FOR PRINTING SERVICES OR
15 CAPITAL EQUIPMENT.—The Foundation shall not make
16 any expenditure of Federal funds in connection with any
17 1 transaction for printing services or capital equipment
18 that is greater than \$10,000 unless the expenditure is ap-
19 proved by the Federal agency that administers the Federal
20 program under which the funds were provided.”.

21 **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

22 Section 10 of the National Fish and Wildlife Founda-
23 tion Establishment Act (16 U.S.C. 3709) is amended by
24 striking subsections (a), (b), and (c) and inserting the fol-
25 lowing:

1 “(a) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—

2 “(1) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be
3 appropriated to carry out this Act for each of fiscal
4 years 1999 through 2003—

5 “(A) \$30,000,000 to the Department of
6 the Interior; and

7 “(B) \$5,000,000 to the Department of
8 Commerce.

9 “(2) REQUIREMENT OF ADVANCE PAYMENT.—

10 The amount made available for a fiscal year under
11 paragraph (1) shall be provided to the Foundation
12 in an advance payment of the entire amount on Oc-
13 tober 1, or as soon as practicable thereafter, of the
14 fiscal year.

15 “(b) ADDITIONAL AUTHORIZATION.—In addition to
16 the amounts authorized to be appropriated under sub-
17 section (a), the Foundation may accept Federal funds
18 from a Federal agency under any other Federal law for
19 use by the Foundation to further the conservation and
20 management of fish, wildlife, and plant resources in ac-
21 cordance with the requirements of this Act.

22 “(c) USE OF FEDERAL FUNDS.—

23 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraphs (2)
24 and (3), Federal funds provided to the Foundation
25 under this section shall be used by the Foundation

1 for matching, in whole or in part, contributions
 2 (whether in currency, services, or property) made to
 3 the Foundation by private persons and State and
 4 local government agencies.

5 “(2) PROHIBITION ON USE FOR ADMINISTRA-
 6 TIVE EXPENSES.—No Federal funds provided to the
 7 Foundation under this section shall be used by the
 8 Foundation to pay for administrative expenses of the
 9 Foundation, including for salaries, travel and trans-
 10 portation expenses, and other overhead expenses.

11 “(3) REQUIREMENT OF NON-FEDERAL
 12 MATCH.—No Federal funds provided to the Founda-
 13 tion under this section shall be used by the Founda-
 14 tion to carry out a cooperative agreement under sec-
 15 tion 4(c)(6) unless the funds are matched on at least
 16 a 1-for-1 basis by non-Federal contributions to the
 17 ~~Foundation.~~ *Foundation.*

18 “(4) LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS.—No *Fed-*
 19 *eral funds appropriated under the authority granted*
 20 *by this Act shall be used to support lobbying or litiga-*
 21 *tion by any recipient of a Foundation grant.*”.